

"General Grant never has been beaten, and he never will be."—Horace Greeley.



"As to the administration of Gen. Grant, I recognize no one as a Republican who is not grateful for its judicious, energetic and successful efforts."—Horace Greeley.

REPUBLICAN NOMINATIONS.

FOR PRESIDENT.

Ulysses S. Grant.

FOR VICE-PRESIDENT.

HENRY WILSON.

"The people of the United States know Gen. Grant—have known all about him since Donelson and Vicksburg; they do not know his slanderers, and do not care to know them."—Horace Greeley.

For Presidential Electors.

At Large. SAMUEL E. SPRING.
At Large. ALFRED CAMPBELL.
1st Dist. JAMES H. MC MULLEN.
2nd Dist. JOHN H. KIMBALL.
3rd Dist. JAMES E. HENNING.
4th Dist. MORDECAI MITCHELL.
5th Dist. WILLIAM MCGILVER.

"I venture to suggest that Gen. Grant will be better qualified for that momentous trust [the presidency] in 1873 than he was in 1868."—Horace Greeley.

THE ELECTION.

Complete official returns from the several congressional districts in this State have been received. The Republican majorities are as follows: In the first district Barleigh has 2196 majority; second, district, Frye, 4127; third district, Blaine, 3640; fourth district, Hersey, 5,159; fifth district, Hale, 3031. The aggregate of these congressional majorities is 18,182 against 9645 at the preceding congressional election in 1870.

In the first, second, third and fifth congressional districts there was not a single scattering vote thrown, and in the fourth district there were but three scattering votes. This is unprecedented in Maine elections.

The whole number of gubernatorial votes is 126,566 from 469 cities, towns and plantations, leaving three towns and eighteen small plantations, which last year voted, Perham 370, Kimball 468. The votes received are divided as follows: Perham, 71, 824, Kimball, 54,742; Perham's majority, 17,082, a gain over last year's vote of 6246.

A member of the republican State Committee, states that several members of that committee have spent much time since the election in trying to arrive at the strength of the Greeley republicans as brought out in the late vote. By careful comparison of returns from each school district with the previous canvass, which had been made with personal information from the sub-districts into which school districts were divided for the purposes of the preliminary canvass, it was clearly shown that the liberal votes cast could not have exceeded 700.

The editor of the Oxford Register, who crowded eight hundred men into the Court House, which hardly holds three hundred, is in a great stew because, in our hasty summing up of the votes for County officers, we gave him five less than he makes the amount. By another mistake in Mr. Holbrook's vote, Mr. Carter is not the lowest candidate. He seems to think we were aiming at him, in our analysis. This is a mistake. We only gave a comparison of the highest and lowest candidates to show majorities. We did it hastily, as we were going to press, and did not expect that we were entirely accurate. It seems that in eight of our footings the Register agrees with us.

It is hardly of sufficient importance to make such a big fuss about, as does the Register.

Mr. Stacy's majority over Holbrook is about 666.

Bribery.

We hear of numberless cases of bribery by the Grantites throughout the County at the late election. Some varying from \$5 to \$15 were paid for single votes; but then the money came easy having been stolen from the tax ridden people.—Oxford Register.

We hear of no republican mean enough to be charged with selling his vote. What kind of cattle does the Register claim that can be bought? Very complimentary to his party, surely. The cry of bribery comes with ill grace from the Tammany-Democratic-Republican party.

A BRIGHT SPOT. The Democrats and Liberals of Somerset County, have elected one Senator, together with the Judge of Probate, County Commissioner and Treasurer.—Oxford Register.

The editor of the Register can extract beams of light from the sun's rays on a cucumber. The result referred to here well knows is owing to the bolt in Norridgewock, caused by a change of the share town, and is entirely local.

Honor to Whom Honor is Due.

The excellent canvass of Oxford County, which resulted in so glorious a victory to the republicans, was made by the Republican County Committee, of which J. T. Clark, Esq., is Chairman, to whom, with his associates, G. D. Bisbee, Esq., of Buckfield, and Dr. G. P. Jones, of Norway, much credit should be awarded for their unremitting labors.

Hastings Strickland has sued the Bangor Whig and Courier for libel.—Strickland was the candidate of the Liberals for Representative to the Legislature, and was compelled to withdraw on account of charges made against him by the Whig.

Charles Sumner.

The nomination of Charles Sumner for Governor of Massachusetts, by the democrats and liberals, is as great a blunder as they could well make. His influence in the State has already been destroyed. He had carried into the Greeley movement a few only of his personal friends, with but one Press, while the republican party of the old Bay State is as unmoved by the detection as is old Plymouth Rock by the waves of the ocean.

The whole thing is ill-advised. It was made after Mr. Sumner had left for England, without his knowledge or consent, and since his arrival abroad, he has signified his displeasure at the act. It is said to have been one of Gen'l Bank's political moves to revive the Greeley interest, so manifestly on the wane. Mr. Sumner is too far from Massachusetts, geographically and politically, to have much influence there now.

The Veteran Convention.

The National Convention of Soldiers at Pittsburg, last week, was a great affair. General J. R. Hawley, a gallant soldier and accomplished gentleman, presided over the preliminary organization, and, sturdy, truehearted John A. Logan was called by his old comrades to the seat of honor. While the thousands of veterans present enthusiastically proclaimed their devotion to the cause for which they fought and to the great Chief-tain who has so nobly served his country in war and in peace; a roster was read containing the names of 50,000 soldiers who heartily support Grant, representing a fraction of the great army which will move upon the works of the enemy in November. In addition to this a message was received from ex-Confederate soldiers who recognize the fiat of the war and who see in the election of their magnanimous conqueror the best guarantee of public security and the rights of all. This message was signed by 783 ex-Confederates in various Southern States, and was received with the generous sympathy and respect which brave men always manifest toward frank and honorable antagonists.

Horace Greeley, fearing the effect of this meeting, visited Pittsburg in his "sawing around the circle" tour, and tried to dispargue the meeting.

Pike's Earthquake.

A Calais correspondent of the Press says that the Republicans of that city held a great jubilee last Wednesday evening. The battle of the District had waxed fiercest at Calais. They had a hard, hot fight of it all through the campaign, and succeeded in overwhelming the "liberal" Pike in his own town by a tremendous majority; and so they felt like having a good time. During the evening they sent the following telegram to Congressman Hale:—

"We are having a grand demonstration here this evening. Illuminations, fireworks, bonfires, bands of music, &c. Enthusiasm unbounded.

And soon after they received this dispatch from Mr. Hale in reply:—

"Your dispatch received. I send greetings to Calais. I know thy works, and thy labour and thy patience; and how thou canst not bear them that are evil; and thou hast tried them which say they are Apostles and are not, and hast found them liars."—EUGENE HALE.

Mr. Hale shows by his apt quotation from Revelation that he has a proper appreciation of the zeal of his friends in Calais and of the completeness of their work in Pike's own town.

Financial Flurry in New York.

On Tuesday, speculators succeeded in getting control of most of the gold in the New York market, and run it up to 114-5-8. Even A. T. Stewart had to pay a heavy premium to get gold for his business. Stocks of all kinds declined rapidly, several failures were announced, and matters looked squally.

It was here that Secretary Boutwell's policy of keeping enough gold in hand to steady the business of the country, proved its success, as it had previously. A few days run of the speculators, would have disturbed business throughout the country. But in a single hour on Wednesday, Secretary Boutwell broke the speculators and restored confidence by suddenly putting nearly five millions of gold into the market by purchasing United States bonds to that amount. The business men of the country with one voice ascribe the greatest praise to the government policy.—Lexington Journal.

Horace Swinging Around the Circle.

In spite of protests of prominent democrats, Horace Greeley on Wednesday started on another election tour—this time "out West." Wednesday he reached Harrisburg, Pa., having made ten "little speeches" on the route, and "shaken hands over as many bloody chasms" with prominent democrats on the route. At Harrisburg he was received by his democratic friends, and told them what he knew about the "bloody chasm," which he said would be closed when he was elected and universal amnesty (i. e.) the right to hold office should be extended to Jefferson Davis and the few other leaders now expected.

The Geneva Award.

To show how nearly the Geneva award sustains the claims submitted gave the following memoranda of the claims filed for actual losses:

By the Alabama	\$6,500,000
By the Shenandoah	6,500,000
By the Florida	3,500,000
By the Tascaloosa, Clarence, Tacony, Archer Georgia, Tallahassee, Nashville, Chattanooga, Retribution and some minor craft, about	1,500,000

S. J. Court—September T., 1872.

DANFORTH, J. PRESIDING.

OFFICERS OF THE COURT.

Wm. K. Kimball, Clerk.
H. E. Hammond, Crier.
C. H. George, Messenger.
L. D. Stacy, Sheriff.

DEPUTIES IN ATTENDANCE.

G. L. Blake, Bethel.
E. E. Rice, Brownfield.
R. A. Barrows, Canton.
T. R. Day, Bryant's Pond.
Mr. Hatch, of South Paris, officiated, in the opening of the Court.

After empaneling the grand jury Judge Danforth delivered a clear and able charge to them and they retired.

GRAND JURORS.

Jonathan K. Martin, Rumford, Foreman.
Jason Farrar, Buckfield.
Gustavus C. Pratt, Oxford.
Addison G. Parlin, Sumner.
Simon B. Johnson, Brownfield.
William Jones, Addover.
Stephen Richardson, Paris.
Ralph S. Freeman, Norway.
Ephraim H. McAllister, Stoneham.
Lyman Johnson, Albany.
Geo. B. Barrows, Fryeburg.
Gilman Chapman, Bethel.
Densmore S. Marble, Dixfield.
Peter McAllister, Lovell.
Aaron H. Mason, Porter.
Otis Hayford, Canton.

Benjamin Marston, Waterford.
Jordan F. Moulton, Hiram, excused.
TRAVELER JURIES—FIRST PANEL.

Lyman Bolster, Woodstock, Foreman.
Ashbel G. Allen, Waterford.
Stephen C. Atkins, Hesperon.
Leonard V. Brackett, Dixfield, excused.
Joseph C. Brooks, Upton.
Alden Barrett, Hartford.
N. Johnson Cushman, Paris.
Samuel H. Colby, Denmark.
Ira Cushman, Bethel.
Virgil P. Deconter, Buckfield.
Frank Dresser, Andover, excused.

SECOND PANEL.

Thomas Reynolds, Canton, Foreman.
Timothy Gibson, Brownfield.
Winfield S. Howe, Hesperon.
James L. Holden, Oxford.
Daniel G. Holt, Greenwood.
Josiah A. Judkins, Mexico.
Elias H. Lovejoy, Peru.
Gilman Y. Philbrick, Roxbury.
Jas. L. Partridge, Norway.
Stephen R. Parsons, Paris.
Nathaniel H. Stone, Sumner.
Phineas F. Killgore, Newry.

SUPERVISOR.

Roscoe G. Green, Hiram.
Isaac A. Walker, Stow.
E. R. Estes v. Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada.

This was an action brought by plaintiff against the railroad for the killing by the company's engine of defendant's cow, bull and calf on the track of said road. It was proved that said road is built over and through plaintiff's farm, and divides his field and pasture; that defendant erected a gate across for plaintiff to pass over said road, and that by reason of the gate plaintiff's cattle were kept from the track; that said gate was badly constructed and badly hung, often falling down and when down it required more than one man to raise and put it into proper condition; that defendant has been repeatedly notified of all this, but has neglected to repair and put said gate in proper condition; that on the afternoon before the cattle were killed the plaintiff's hired man drove through the gate—that it fell down and he was unable to raise it and put it in proper place; that he called to men at work for defendant on the section to help him raise it, but they declined to do so and he left the gate down, and that the plaintiff's cattle that night escaped from his yard and went through this gate way on to the track and were killed. The point was made by defendant that the proximate cause of the injury was the act of plaintiff's servant in leaving down the gate, and not the defective construction of the gate itself, and therefore defendant is not liable; and to settle the law, a nonsuit was ordered and exceptions taken therein, and the case reported for Law Court.

Hammons.

102. E. F. Farwell v. same.
The nature of this action is the same as the previous, and the same disposition was made of it.

Hammons for plaintiff. Rand for defendant.

Alpheus S. Bean v. Atlantic & St. Lawrence R. R.

Action for loss of store and goods by fire from the sparks of def'ts. locomotive. Verdict for \$1155.25, amount claimed, and interest.

Hammons.

Jonas Greene v. Geo. W. Lunt.
Real Action for Land, under tax title. Law on Report.

Bolster.

Wm. Cawwell v. Geo. Hopkins.
Action for about \$15.00, brought before a Justice and appealed. Piff. enlisted in 1864, for Franklin Plantation, and was to have his expenses to Augusta paid, before muster in. He first sued the Plantation and was non-suited. He then brought a Writ against Gowell, Recruiting officer, and withdrew it, and sued def't, who was the Assessor of the Plantation. Defence, payment. Evidence conflicting. Verdict for def't. Costs of suit on both sides about \$300.00.

Randall, with whom Harlow was associated, for piff.

Bolster for defence.

Alfreda Colebrook v. Jesse Colebrook.
Libel for Divorce. Divorce decreed, and custody of child given to libellant, the mother. \$500.00 decreed to her instead of alimony.

Ayer.

John M. Bennett v. the Inhabitants of Gilead.

Action to recover for support of Jacob Bean and Susanna P. Bean his wife, the sum of about \$150.00. The piff. claims said Beans to have been in distress, and in need of immediate relief, and he relieved and boarded them, and duly notified defendants thereof. The defts.

claim that they were not in need of relief, and that they without cause and justification left Hiram Bennett's and Horace Bennett's, who were obliged by bond to support them, and went to the plaintiff's, and that plaintiff could not hold the town for the claim sued.

Verdict for plaintiff \$84.96.

Frye.

Hammons, Foster, Walker.
On trial, Monday, September 23d.
Haggood v. Wheeler.
Real Action.

Hammons.

The Grand Jury rose on Thursday noon, and reported thirteen indictments, as follows:

State v. Charles Davis, and Harry Clark, of Toronto, Canada West—the Bethel burglars—three indictments each, for entering the stores of Charles Mason, Oliver H. Mason and Geo. H. Plaisted, on the night of April 20, 1872.

State v. James F. Bragg, Woodstock, for selling cattle not belonging to him—two indictments.

State v. Demus F. Bishop, Peru. Assault upon and false imprisonment of Dan'l Hall, Collector of Taxes, August 28, 1872.

State v. James B. Poland, Hartford. Larceny of a sheep and lamb of Melrose Keene, Sept. 1, 1872.

State v. Paris—bad road, from Wm. Ellis South line, by Milo Hathaway's to town line of Sumner.

State v. Dixfield—bad road—the river road near John H. Marble's to the town line of Carthage.

State v. Woodstock—bad road—the Mountain road, to Hermon Proctors', about 3 miles.

The Bethel burglars will plead guilty, it is supposed. They have been in jail since April.

The bar is well represented. From other Counties, Messrs. Littlefield of Bridgton, Ayer of Cornish, and Stone of Biddeford were present.

The criminal business is assigned for Thursday.

Probably the Court will continue into the third week, as Judge Danforth is not one of the impatient Justices who are in such a hurry to get home, that they provoke counsel and discharge juries without trying a case.

Paris Hill all Ablaze.

Notwithstanding the mist, rain and mud, the Tanners of South Paris and Norway, to the number of a hundred or more with the Norway Band, made a visit to Paris Hill last Tuesday evening, to parade and serenade Gov. Perham.

The republicans, having an inkling of the affair, prepared some fine illuminations, and received them with the ringing of bells and a salvo of 24 guns fired on the Common. After marching through the village to Gen. Kimball's, whose brilliant illumination shed radiance even upon the editor of the Register's domicile, and threw conceptions of patriotic light upon the surrounding darkness of that region, the procession counter-marched to Lincoln street, and drew up in front of Gov. Perham's house, which was also finely illuminated. After the Band gave a patriotic air, the Governor appeared and acknowledged the compliment in a few remarks, at the conclusion of which he invited all hands to repair to the Court House and partake of a collation. Here hot coffee and refreshments were served, which the boys, being wet to the skin, enjoyed heartily.

The front of the Court House was prettily lighted and decorated with Chinese lanterns by Mr. C. H. George, the Messenger. The County officers and the office of the Oxford Democrat were also illuminated. Besides those spoken of the residences of J. C. Marble, J. T. Clark, H. Austin, Dr. Brown, F. E. Shaw, J. S. Holbs, Sheriff Stacy, S. R. Newell, Elmer Marble, Dea. Thayer, Miss S. J. Prentiss, and Mrs. Brown, with the Hubbard House, were handsomely decorated and illuminated. Dr. Brown had a neat transparency over the front door of "Grant and Wilson."

On the route the procession sent up Roman lights and rockets, which, with the bells and guns woke up the denizens of our quiet village as never before.

It being the first day of Court, strangers from all parts of the County had the opportunity of witnessing the festivities, and entered into the enjoyment of them with pleasure.

Capt. H. N. Bolster of the South Paris Tanners, had command of the battalion. Both Companies are entitled to much credit and the hearty thanks of the republicans of our village, for the pains taken in giving us so fine a parade. It was a well deserved compliment to the Governor, and was highly appreciated by himself and townsmen.

Before coming up on the Hill, the Tanners paraded through South Paris village, which was also brilliantly illuminated. The Post office, and stores of D. N. True, Dayton Bolster, Bolster & Haskell, Miss Brock and Dr. Sawyer, and the houses of J. J. Morton, Alva Shurtleff, Arba Thayer, H. N. Bolster, Dr. Sawyer, E. N. Haskell, Alva Hersey, Judge Deerling, Alvin Rice, E. F. Stone, C. M. Morgan, and O. W. Bent, were decorated and illuminated—some of them making a splendid appearance.

Cranberry Culture in Oxford County.

Our Canton correspondent (J. A. E.) sends us a box of fine cranberries and says: "In box find sample of Messrs. Child & Strout's cranberries. They have some two and a half acres set, and two acres bearing, this year. They have fifteen hands picking now, and average about twenty bushels per day. They will probably have from sixty to eighty bushels like sample. Mr. Strout gave \$700 for one half of a bog last year, and has been offered \$1000 for the same, within a few days. Their bog is one half mile from Canton Point, on the road from Canton to Farmington, close to the county road. They will not move next year. Austin Reynolds has a small bog, in a flourishing condition, and there are others in town that are engaged in cranberry culture."

County Lodge, I. O. of G. T.

In accordance with previous announcement, the County Lodge of Independent Order of Good Templars held its Quarterly session with "Crystal Fountain Lodge," of Andover, on the 11th inst. The overhanging clouds prevented some from leaving their homes to enjoy the occasion with us, but others ladies as well as gentlemen, coming as representatives from different Lodges found their courage rewarded by a pleasant day and we believe also by a most cordial reception and profitable entertainment. The morning meeting of the Lodge was one of considerable importance, inasmuch as the officers of the ensuing year were chosen, and all necessary Committees appointed. But time nor space will not permit an extended report of the Committee or proceedings. Suffice to say the officers elected and installed are as follows: Rev. William A. Stevens, G. W. C. T.; P. M. Newton, W. S.; Joseph D. Moody, G. W. T.

Reports from the different Lodges were of an encouraging character, excepting the Lodge at Bryant's Pond, which seems to have been suffering for some time past, from a severe attack of general debility. We are informed that the child is at present unable to walk, but the relatives are still hoping for its recovery.

An interesting communication was read from Brother Twitchell, of Bethel, suggesting many excellent ideas for the good of the order, one of which was the holding of public monthly meetings for the benefit of the various Lodges in our County, who are expected to send delegates and visitors. This recommendation was adopted; and it was voted to have these monthly meetings on the first week of each month, or the day of the regular meeting of the Local Lodge where such general meeting may be appointed. It was also voted to hold the first session with "Rising Star Lodge," of Bethel, in the month of October. It is hoped that all the Lodges of the County will be there represented. The preparation of the programme of exercises is to be entrusted, in each case to the Local Lodge where the above named monthly meeting may be held.

The Committee on Resolutions reported as follows, which report was unanimously adopted:

Whereas, The happiness, peace and prosperity of Communities, States and Nations, demand a strict adherence to the principles of total abstinence, therefore be it

Resolved, That a stringent prohibitory law, including the sale of cider as well as other intoxicating beverages is a necessity, in connection with moral or temperance reform, and that in consequence of this fact, we shall appreciate the repeal of the present cider law upon our statutes, which was passed during the session of the last Legislature, until another and a better can be substituted.

Resolved, That while we hail with gratitude the success that has attended the Good Templar movement the past year, we nevertheless heartily concur in, and ask God's blessing upon, all public and private efforts without the limits of our Order, which looks toward the Temperance reform.

Resolved, That in all our success, we recognize the aid of Divine Providence, for which we express our heartfelt gratitude, and that, in the future, we will look, for prosperity and success, to the God of the Temperance cause.

Voted, to have the next Quarterly session of the County Lodge with "Mt. Abraham Lodge," at Locke's Mills. Thus close the proceedings of the private session, which was followed by a most interesting public meeting or collation in the hall below. A vote of thanks was returned by the Lodge to the ladies who prepared the collation.

The collation was followed by a public meeting in the afternoon, presided over by Chas. A. Merrill, of Andover, when the following resolution was discussed with much spirit and interest:

Resolved, That the social glass in high life is more dangerous to society than the open grog-shop.

Rev. Messrs. Stevens and Sprague, Bros. Small and Woodbury, and W. H. Talbot, Esq., entered heartily into the discussion, after which Rev. Mr. Stevens furnished an interesting address on the subject of temperance. Sec'y

Our Sunday School Interests.

To the Editor:—

Will you allow me a few words through your columns with the friends of the Sunday School work in our State? At the Annual Convention held in Dexter last May, the following resolution was passed, not only as according with the report of the Executive Committee there presented and adopted, but also as being the unanimous opinion of the delegates present.

"Resolved, That the usefulness of town and county Sunday School Conventions is no longer a question, and that we earnestly recommend the organization of such conventions in all the towns and counties of the State where these are not now held."

In order to forward this work, and that of the cause in general, the Executive Committee following instructions given them, "to employ such agencies as in their judgment are needed to carry forward the objects contemplated," have decided to employ an Agent who shall devote his time to the work. Former experience has shown us that it is impracticable to accomplish any very great results through merely voluntary and gratuitous efforts. Many parts of our State, might we not safely say, the greater part, is not reached by any efforts heretofore put forth. In but few counties is there any active working organizations. The agent employed, who perhaps might be called a State Superintendent, is Mr. J. P. Higgins of Dexter. We ask for him the hearty cooperation of all friends of the cause in the localities he may visit. One part of his work will be the organization of town, county, and local conventions as stated above. In the work of the Convention or Institute, he will be assisted by members of the Executive Committee, and other prominent Sunday workers. Friends residing in the several counties can greatly assist by indicating favorable localities for holding these con-

ventions, suitable men to assist, and in aiding to obtain a full attendance. If any county desires assistance in organizing or conducting a Convention or Institute, or a series of such, by communicating with the Superintendent, information and assistance will be furnished. It would greatly forward the work if the friends in each county, would take the initiatory steps. And let it not be forgotten that funds will be needed in carrying on this work. But if each school will bear but a small part, and the liberal hearts give of their generosity there need be no anxiety in this direction. At the rate of only two cents for each person in our Sunday School a revenue of \$1500 would arise. W. WOODBURY, Chairman of Ex. Com. Skowhegan, Sept. 14, 1872.

West Oxford Fair.

The twenty-second annual exhibition of the West Oxford Agricultural Society, will be held at Fryeburg on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, October 8th, 9th and 10th. The annual meeting of the Society will be held on Tuesday at 10 o'clock A. M.; drawing match at 1 P. M.; trotting of stallions at 3 P. M.; agricultural conference in the evening. Wednesday—The Secretary will receive entries for articles in the hall until 10 A. M. Examination of stock, crops, and manufactures by the committees, at 10 A. M.; ladies' equestrian exhibition at 11 A. M.; trial of speed horses at 1 P. M.; public spinning at 3 P. M. Thursday—Addresses at 10 A. M.; reports of committees at 1 P. M.; general fair for sales, 2 to 3 P. M.; sweepstakes at 2 P. M.

Stamps Off.

On and after the first of October, the stamp duties on all business papers and legal documents, save bank checks, will be removed. Contracts, affidavits, oaths, receipts, notes, conveyances, policies, warranty deeds, mortgages, power of a attorney, and all such documents, will be free from this restriction.

Oxford Normal Institute Lectures.

Prof. E. S. Morse, of Mass., gives two Illustrated Lectures on Natural History this week, in the church, St. Paris, Tuesday and Friday evenings.

Music by the Band.

British Consul Murray reads Thursday evening.

Every one ought to hear Prof. Morse; his lectures will be interesting and instructive.

Mysterious Disappearance.

The wife of Samuel Stuart, of South Paris, (formerly Mrs. Silvia Pratt) left her home on Wednesday night last, between 10 and 11 o'clock, under circumstances calculated to create fears that she has made way with herself. She had been depressed in her mind for some days. One the same evening she called at the house of Mr. Alva Shurtleff, who had transacted her business heretofore, and left a package of papers, telling him not to open them under two weeks, and remarking that she would pay him for what he had done, if she lived, or something to that effect. He expressed some surprise, when she told him he might open it when he pleased and left. The evening was wet, and it appears she went home changed her dress, and took a small bag, a dress, and her portmanteau, with some twenty dollars, it is supposed, and left the house—since which time nothing has been seen of her. Her husband was away at work, out of town. She was fifty five years of age; her first husband's name was Pratt. Search has been made in the river, but no clue yet discovered. Her relatives at Buckfield and Mechanic Falls have not seen anything of her. Nearly a hundred people were engaged on Sunday, dragging the river for her.

On hearing of her disappearance, Mr. Shurtleff opened the package, but found no explanation of her intentions in it.

We understand she has had some domestic troubles, and the general impression is that she has committed suicide. Her clothing was packed and nicely put away, and her home set in order for leaving, and it is possible that she has only taken French leave.

Denmark Item.

Our correspondent (P.) writes: Denmark annual town agricultural Show and Fair is to be held on the 3d of October. Many of our farmers are harvesting as much "second crop" hay this year, as they got of first last year. Much of it is lying out exposed to the storm which is now denuding us. Wheat and oat crops good. Apples never more abundant. Potatoes exhibit indications of rot. Corn is backward, but well threshed. Fields and pastures carpeted with a dense mat of grass, where one year ago the roots appeared to be nearly all killed.

The building and renovating fever runs high at Denmark Cor. this fall. C. A. Davis is hard at work upon the French cottage commenced by him two years ago. G. R. Bean is building a fine cottage, elegant and stable. Augustine Ingalls is repairing the old Ingalls homestead at the tune of five hundred dollars. Abner Ingalls has enlarged and remodeled his house, and built a handsome stable. L. A. Ingalls and H. Harnden have built a neat cottage, and James Wentworth is about laying the foundation for a new cottage. J. C. Hodge has just completed a neat and convenient block of buildings, and is laying out his grounds very tastefully with terraces, and bank walls.

Much attention has been given by our citizens to the setting out of maples by the roadside during the past two years.

E. Sanborn is building a staunch board and grist-mill on the site of the old mill at the head of Moose brook.

L. A. Poor has a large and interesting high school at Denmark Cor. this fall.

C. O. Pendexter, our representative elect, will entertain his friends at his house on Thursday evening, says the Lewiston Journal.

—Chas. O'Connor accepts the straight democratic nomination for President.

North Paris.

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Oxford Democrat Office.